REMARKS

The present response cancels claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 15, 16, and 26-31 without prejudice or disclaimer as to the subject matter recited therein. In addition, claims 1, 2, 9-11, 13, 14, and 17-19 have been amended. Claims 1, 2, 8-14, and 17-19 remain pending in the captioned case. Further examination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 7 and 16-19 were deemed allowable if placed into independent form, including any intervening claims. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the subject matter of claims 6 and 7. In addition, claim 13 has been amended to include the subject matter of claims 15 and 16.

Section 112 Rejection

Claims 1-4, 6-19, and 26-31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. In response thereto, present pending claims have been amended to include the words "vector graphics" with reference to the "first image" and/or the "second image." Applicants appreciate the Examiner' helpful suggestion for this amendment. Claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 15, 16, and 26-31 have all been canceled rendering rejection thereto moot.

Section 102 Rejection

Claims 1-4, 6, 8-15, and 26-31 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,317,780 to Cohn et al. In light of amendments to independent claims 1 and 13 wherein allowable subject matter has been inserted, Applicants assert that claims 1 and 13, as well as claims dependent therefrom, are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request removal of this rejection.

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CONCLUSION

This response constitutes a complete response to all issues raised in the Office Action mailed May 28, 2004. In view of the amendments herein, Applicants assert that pending claims 1, 2, 8-14, and 17-19 are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, comments, or suggestions, the undersigned earnestly requests a telephone conference.

No fees are required for filing this amendment; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Conley Rose, P.C. Deposit Account No. 03-2769/5468-05800.

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